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ECONOMIC GROWTH OF STATES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bank branches of public and private sectors in terms of percentage in Bihar, Orissa, West Bengal and North Eastern States and how much money have these banks invested in the economy of those States;

(b) the reasons for not showing growth in economy in those States;

(c) the amount of NPA in each of the banks there and how does that compare in other parts of the country; and

(d) the steps taken to bring improvement in the economic growth of Bihar in particular and other States mentioned above in general?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a) : The Percentage share of bank branches and bank credit of scheduled commercial banks in Bihar, Orissa, West Bengal and North Eastern States is given below.

Percentage share of bank branches and bank credit of scheduled commercial banks (March 1999)

Sl.No.	NAME OF STATES	%-age shareof branches to All India total	Gross Bank Credit (Rs.Lakh)
1	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.10	6814
2	ASSAM	1.90	221405
3	BIHAR	7.59	777394
4	MANIPUR	0.13	16923
5	MEGHALAYA	0.27	19131
6	MIZORAM	0.12	6278
7	NAGALAND	0.11	11607
8	ORISSA	3.36	435259
9	TRIPURA	0.28	30910
10	WEST BENGAL	6.74	2294225
	ALL INDIA	100	38946002

(b) and (d) : The credit flow in a State/Region depends upon various factors like availability of adequate infrastructural facilities, credit absorption capacity of the region, development of medium and large industries, properly developed marketing facilities, conducive atmosphere for investment, entrepreneurial initiatives, law and order situation in the region, satisfactory recovery position of the bank dues etc. Banks have been taking every possible step for improving the flow of credit in the States where Credit Deposit(CD) ratio is low and the position in this regard is monitored in the State Level Bankers` Committee (SLBC) meetings of the respective States from time to time.

(c) : The present data reporting system of Reserve Bank of India does not generate information in the manner asked for.